

REMARKS

Please reconsider the claims in the application in view of the remarks below. Claims 1-30 remain pending in the present application.

Claim Rejection – 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1-30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0217288 ("Guo et al."). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

To anticipate a claim, the reference must teach every element of the claim, that is, the cited reference must disclose an identical invention. See, MPEP §2131. Guo et al. as understood by applicant discloses an authentication server that generates a ticket including information associated with a user after authenticating the user. Guo et al., however, does not disclose or suggest every element claimed in independent claim 1.

The Office Action cites Guo et al., noting that the client machine of Guo corresponds to the user machine of the claim and the affiliate server(s) of Guo correspond to the "client machine" of the claim. Even if that analogy is followed, Guo et al. still does not disclose or suggest every element claimed in claim 1. That is Guo et al. does not disclose or suggest that a login account with login information is established at its affiliate server, encrypted and communicated to its client machine. Rather, in paragraphs 0046 and 0047, Guo et al. describes that when a client machine accesses a portal service via affiliate server, the affiliate server presents the user with a sign-in interface, then redirects client machine to an authentication server. In paragraph 0047, Guo et al. explains that its authentication server responds with a user

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interface page that accepts username/password from the user. As is apparent in those paragraphs, Guo et al. does not disclose or suggest that its affiliate server establishes login information, encrypts the information and communicates the encrypted information to the client machine. Rather, as explained above, Guo et al.'s affiliate server redirects its client machine to an authentication server.

On the other hand, claim 1 recites establishing a login account with login information "at the client machine", encrypting the login information "at the client machine" and communicating the encrypted login information to the user machine. In this way, for example, a user is authenticated to both an authentication server and to a client machine, but no link between the client machine and authentication server may be needed.

Accordingly, for at least the above reasons, Guo et al. does not anticipate independent claim 1 and its dependent claims at least by virtue of their dependencies. Independent claims 10 and 11 recite the similar elements, and therefore, for at least the same foregoing reasons, Guo et al. does not anticipate independent claims 10 and 11.

Independent claims 12, 20, 21, 28, 29 and 30 also recite that an encrypted login information communicated from a client machine to the user machine is communicated to an authentication server that decrypts the login information. Therefore, for at least the same foregoing reasons, Guo et al. also does not anticipate independent claims 12, 20, 21, 28, 29 and 30 and their respective dependent claims at least by virtue of their dependencies.

In view of the foregoing, this application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes a

telephone conference might expedite prosecution of this case, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner call applicant's attorney at (516) 742-4343.

Respectfully submitted,

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